

CALIFORNIA WATER PLAN UPDATE 2009

CALIFORNIA TRIBAL WATER SUMMIT PLANNING TEAM

Highlights from Meeting, January 28, 2010, in Sacramento

The fifteenth and final meeting of the California Tribal Water Summit Planning Team (PT) took place in Sacramento on January 28, 2010. The objectives of the meeting were to (1) review the plan for final Summit documents and their distribution, (2) review the sorted list of Potential Next Steps from the Summit and Plenary meetings, (3) review the draft proposal for Tribal involvement in the Water Plan Update 2013 process, (4) review new elements of the final Summit Proceedings, including the Analysis of Summit Evaluations, (5) discuss how to handle remaining funds raised for the Summit, and (6) review and comment on a portion of the draft Tribal Water Stories video.

Final Summit Documents & Their Distribution

The Proceedings Document will be posted on the Summit website and will be included in Volume 4 (Reference Guide) of the Water Plan Update 2009. The Department of Water Resources (DWR) had decided to highlight all Tribal documents by storing the materials on a separate CD from the full Water Plan. The Tribal CD will be included in hard copies of the Water Plan Highlights, hard copies of the full Water Plan Update, and printed copies of the Summit Proceedings.

Potential Next Steps

The Summit Potential Next Steps from the Summit were sorted by DWR staff into the following categories: Water Plan Content Development, Water Plan Tribal Communication Plan, Tribal Design for Water Plan Update 2013, DWR-Centric, Other Agencies/Governor's Office/Legislature, Government-to-Government, Tribal Owners, and Out of DWR Scope. Next steps appeared in multiple categories where applicable. PT members gave recommendations, including that the document include the definition of Tribes from the 2008 Tribal Communication Plan, that the *Tribal Owners* section be renamed, that the importance of fish and sustainability should be emphasized, and that the document begin with an introductory paragraph to better explain the Potential Next Steps' source and purpose.

Draft Proposal for Tribal Involvement

Kamyar Guivetchi, DWR, thanked the PT and Tribal Communications Committee (TCC) for their efforts updating the California Water Plan. Mr. Guivetchi requested the group's input on how to best structure the process for Tribal participation in the 2013 Water Plan Update, particularly on the proposal for a three-tiered system (including formally-authorized representatives, interested individuals, and those who request general information notices). The PT expressed strong support for the proposed three-tier approach, and also provided several suggestions for improving the proposal.

Final Summit Proceedings & Analysis of Summit Evaluations

The Final Summit Proceedings document includes a process review, highlights for each day's discussions, the sorted list of Potential Next Steps, and detailed summaries of each day's discussions. Additionally, an Analysis of Summit Evaluations was added for the group's review, created by the Research and Evaluation Subcommittee. A Research and Evaluation sub-group member Donna Miranda-Begay reported how the Analysis of Summit Evaluations was produced. Ms. Begay developed a matrix to reflect and compare responses, which were divided into topical subcategories, and then ranked based on timeframe for accomplishment.

Remaining Funds

A PT member informed the group that approximately \$5,000 was left in the budget. Participants reached consensus that the remaining funds should be used to finish the Water Stories video and print a Water Stories booklet after gathering more stories. The group also decided to have North Fork Mono Tribe remain as the Fiscal Agent, due to their high standard of transparency.

Tribal Water Stories Video

The group watched portions of the Tribal Water Stories Video. A PT member explained a few elements will be added, including an introduction and menu format. The water stories sub-group requested that the PT members send her any additional photographs or music to be included.

Next Steps

The meeting was the final gathering for the Water Summit Planning Team. As the PT was committed to completing the Water Stories Booklet, members discussed gathering additional stories. There will be a conference call in March to compare quotes and discuss printing.